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Gentlemen,

I AM a Spinſter, who, a leiſuret hours, have taken ſome pains and ſome pleaſure in the practice of decyphering How far I may have employed my skill in interpreting *billets doux*, I do not confeſs; but I ſure you, I have been very cautious in returning anſwers to them, for this reaſon among others, becauſe I was loth to expoſe my grammatical imperfections to the cenſure of Criticks, who are not always the moſt favourably diſpoſed on ſuch occaſions; and indeed I ſhould, for the ſame reaſon, have ſcrupled to make you this addreſs, if I had not had as good an opinion of your candour, as I have of your judgment.

Without farther preface, I am to impart to you the reſult of a late Converſation, in which I bore my full ſhare, 'till by unfortunately mentioning a *Figure-cypher*, I ſoon found, that I had irrecoverably played the game out of my own hand, and was reduced to the condition of an humble attentive auditor.

'Madam, ſaid a grave Coffee houſe Politician, by a 'Figure-cypher, I preſume, you mean what the learned 'in that ſcience call a *numerical* cypher, becauſe it makes 'uſe of *numbers* to expreſs or ſignifie letters or words.' It was replied by a Student from one of the Univerſities, 'that to his apprehenſion this was a new ſenſe of the 'word *rumerical*; that, without compliment to the 'Lady, he liked her expreſſion better; that perhaps it 'might well enough be called a *numeral* cypher for 'the reaſon aſſign'd; but that *this* or *that* cypher was al-'ways a *numerical* cypher, whether it were contrived in 'arithmetical figures, or in *Chineſe* characters.'

The News-monger declared himſelf unwilling to diſcourage a young Gentleman of his promiſing parts; but aſſured him, that he could name ſeveral, who were much his ſeniors, and of unqueſtionable reputation in learning, who had ſufficiently ſhewn themſelves to be of a different opinion.

The Scholar anſwer'd thus. 'I have my education 'in a place, where I am taught to pay all due reſpect 'to my ſeniors, and hope I ſhall always perform it. But 'I have ſpent my time there to little purpoſe, if I do 'not know the true ſenſe of the word *numerical*. When 'you ſhall pleaſe to name any of my ſeniors, who have 'uſed the word as you do, I engage to muſter a legion 'of *their* ſeniors, ſome of them *irrefragable*, *invincible*, 'angelical men, who unanimouſly agree, that by *numerical* is meant neither more nor leſs than *individual*. 'But becauſe ſuch old-faſhioned Gentlemen would make 'but an odd kind of appearance in this polite age, I 'ſhall content myſelf with producing honeſt HUDIBRAS 'and his *Widow*.

'Hud. *The beard's th'* identick *beard you knew,*
'*The ſame* numerically *true.*
'Wid. *O Heavens (quoth ſhe) if this be true,*
'*I do begin to think, 'tis you.*
'*Not by your* individual *whiskers,*
'*But by your dialect and diſcourſe.*

Upon this, the Company looked at one another, and there enſued a pauſe; which gave me room to ſlip in this ſhort ſpeech. 'I have obſerved, Gentlemen, that ſix 'or ſeveral letters of the Alphabet are called *numeral* let-'ters, and ſhould be glad to know, whether I may ven-'ture to call them *numerical* letters.' One ſaid, that I might, and t'other, that I might not; ſo, Gentlemen, I am wholly under your direction upon the point.

In return for your favour, I give you to underſtand, that a miſtake has been committed in relation to part of a Letter from Lord CLANRICARDE, lately publiſhed in cypher. As I happen to be very well acquainted with it, I do aſſure you, that the whole Letter is publiſhed by Mr. CARTE; and if it were convenient, I could tell you, where and when it was written. But ſo long as the date remains concealed, the cypher will anſwer the end propoſed; for, I dare ſay, the paſſage will not eaſily be found among the printed Letters, unleſs it be firſt decyphered.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your humble ſervant,

PATIENCE PUZZLE-HEAD.

Gentlemen,

THE judicious EUMENES, ſome time ſince, gave an invitation to the Town in the *London Daily-Poſt*, * to tranſlate what he was pleaſed to call an *excellent Epigram of* AUSONIUS. That Paper was accordingly, for a long while after, crouded with verſions of it; which were ſucceeded by a criticiſm of EUMENES, wherein he appears diſſatisfied with all that had been ſent him, as *falling miſerably ſhort of the beauty and ſtrength of the original*. T'ho' I am far from defending any ſingle Tranſlation of that *Epigram* I have yet ſeen, yet I muſt own, I ſo far diſſent from the learned EUMENES, as to think the bad ſucceſs of moſt of them, is owing to its native poverty and unmeaningneſs. To ſupport this poſition, let us examine the thought of this *Epigram*, diveſted of its verſe and language, and ſee what ſort of an appearance it makes in Engliſh proſe; and firſt, what we can make of it as it ſtands publiſhed by EUMENES. †

Dum dubitat, Natura, marem faceretve puellam
Factus es, O Pulcher, pene puella puer.

'While doubts, Nature, ſhould ſhe make male or girl 'you was made, O Pulcher, almoſt girl boy.

This is the literal ſenſe, or rather nonſenſe of it thus written and pointed; but EUMENES himſelf, notwithſtanding, found ſome meaning in it, for he tells us, || 'The Poet's deſign in this *Epigram*, was to celebrate 'ſome beautiful youth, in whoſe lovely face, Nature 'had mixed a female ſweetleſs with a manly grace.' We'll deviate then ſo far from EUMENES's punctuation as to make ſenſe of it, and find out, if we can, it's boaſted *excellency*, and obſerve how well the Poet's deſign is executed.

Dum dubitat Natura marem faceretve puellam,
Factus es O pulcher pene puella puer.

'Whilſt Nature was in doubt whether ſhe ſhould make a 'male or female, you was made, O beauteous boy, al-'moſt a girl.' (or you was made between both.)

This thought is ſurely trifling and obſcure, the language poor and unpoetical, and the intended compliment may well paſs for ſatyr; nor can the addition of rhime remedy or atone for any of theſe defects. Whatever advantages the Ancients may have over us in wit and learning, common-ſenſe is as prevalent in this age, as in any precedent one. Suppoſe then a perſon ſhould addreſs a modern *Pulcher* in theſe terms, 'Sir, Nature made 'you almoſt a lady, before ſhe had determined whether 'ſhe would make a man or woman.' The young Spark would certainly anſwer him, What you ſay, Sir, is ſenſeleſs and affronting; if Nature made me before ſhe was determined whether ſhe ſhould make a man or woman, I muſt be either an hermaphrodite or ſexleſs. —— Pardon me, Sir, I deſigned you an extraordinary compliment: for AUSONIUS, an old Latin Poet, *has celebrated a beautiful Youth* in this manner in an *Epigram*, which has the public approbation of the ingenious EUMENES. —— Don't tell me of AUSONIUS, or EUMENES; if ſo, Sir, AUSONIUS was a Block-head, and you are a Fool, and EUMENES is —— I don't know who. My pretty fellow ſtalks off full of reſentment, and the flatterer retreats with an *O tempora! O mores!* Having thus freely given the reaſons for my opinion, I ſhall next endeavour to gueſs at thoſe of my Antagoniſt; which I believe may be comprehended in theſe two Syllogiſms: the *Epigram* is Latin, *ergo* it muſt be *excellent:* I don't well underſtand it, *ergo* I ought to admire it. To conclude, if I may from the choice of this one *Epigram* make a juſt judgement of EUMENES's *Collection*, I can't promiſe him that he'll find among his ſubſcribers, Gentlemen,

Your humble ſervant,

R. T.

* *Aug.* 3. † *Aug.* 3. and the ſame punctuation is repeated in the *London Daily Poſt*, *Aug.* 4. 5. 6. and 12. In that of *Aug.* 9. it is altered, but very little for the better,

Dum dubitat Natura, marem faceretve puellam,
Factus es, O Pulcher, pene puella puer.

|| *Aug.* 6.

Gentlemen,

THE following *Ode* was written by a Sea Chaplain; which if you think worthy to be inſerted in your *Journal*, you will oblige,

Your conſtant reader,

H. R.
B. C. Oxon.

1.
With gallant pomp and beauteous pride,
The floating pile in harbour rode:
Proud of her freight, the ſwelling tide
Reluctant left the veſſel's ſide,
And rais'd it as ſhe flow'd.

2.
The waves, with eaſtern breezes curl'd,
Had ſilver'd half the liquid plain;
The anchors weigh'd, the ſails unfurl'd,
Serenely mov'd the wooden world,
And ſtretch'd along the main.

3.
The ſcaly natives of the Deep
Preſs to admire the vaſt machine;
In ſportive gambols round it leap,
Or ſwimming low due diſtance keep,
In homage to their Queen.

4.
Thus, as life glides in gentle gale,
Pretended Friendſhip waits on Pow'r;
But early quits the borrow'd veil,
When adverſe Fortune ſhifts the ſail,
And haſtens to devour.

5.
In vain we flie approaching ill,
Danger can multiplie its form:
Expos'd we flie like JONAS ſtill,
And Heaven, when 'tis Heaven's will,
O'ertakes us in a ſtorm.

6.
The diſtant ſurges foamy white
Foretell the furious coming blaſt:
Dreadful, tho' diſtant, was the ſight!
Confederate winds and waves unite,
And menace every maſt.

7.
Winds, whiſtling through the ſhrouds, proclaim
A fatal harveſt on the deck. ——
Quick in purſuit as active flame,
Too ſoon the rolling ruin came,
And ratified the wreck.

8.
Thus ADAM ſmil'd with new-born grace,
Life's flame inſpir'd by heavenly breath:
Thus the ſame breath ſweeps off his race,
Diſorder's Nature's beauteous face,
And ſpreads diſeaſe and death.

9.
Stripp'd of her pride the veſſel rolls;
And, as by ſympathy ſhe knew
The ſecret anguiſh of our ſouls,
With inward, deeper groans, condoles
The dangers of her crew.

10.
Now, what avail'd it to be brave,
On liquid precipices hung,
Suſpended on a breaking wave!
Beneath us yawn'd a ſea-green grave,
And ſilenc'd every tongue.

11.
The faithleſs flood forſook her keel,
And downward launch'd the labouring hull;
Stunn'd, —— ſhe forgot a-while to reel,
And felt, or almoſt ſeem'd to feel,
A momentary lull.

12.
Thus in the jaws of Death we lay,
Nor fight, nor comfort found us there;
Loſt in the gulph and floods of ſpray:
No ſun to chear us, nor a ray
Of hope, but all deſpair.

13.
The nearer ſhore the more deſpair,
While certain ruin waits on land,
Should we purſue our wiſhes there:
Soon we recant the fatal pray'r,
And wiſh to ſhun the ſtrand.

14.
At length the Being, whoſe beheſt
Reduc'd this Chaos into form,
His goodneſs and his power expreſt;
He ſpoke,— and as a God ſuppreſt
Our troubles, and the ſtorm.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

DP. *Daily Poſt.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
LP. *London Daily Poſt.*
G. *Daily Gazetteer.*
S J. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
L E. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 25. Mrs. Margaret Melvill, ſervant to Lady Camilla Bennet, is appointed rocker to the young Princeſs. *LP.*

The commiſſioners for building a bridge met yeſterday at the Jeruſalem-chamber, and gave directions for making plans of 2 ſtone piers, intended to be erected near the centre of the river, for placing the middle arch upon. They appointed a ſalary of 200 l. per ann. to their ſecretary Sir Joſ. Ayloff, Bar. and 100 l. per ann. to Mr. Bowack, their aſſiſtant ſecretary. *G.*

Yeſterday Lord Oſſultone, ſon and heir apparent to the Earl of Tankerville, came of age, upon which there was a grand entertainment at Uppark in Suſſex, and open houſe to be kept for 3 days. *LP.*

Mr. Joſhua Ward returns ſoon to this town from Yorkſhire, and will keep 2 publick days at his Hoſpital at Pimlico, for diſpenſing his medicines to the poor. *LP.* —— *This is a likely ſtory. How* Hoſpital at Pimlico, *ſince the patients were all turned out almoſt two months ago?*

On tueſday, about 3 in the afternoon, the monument of the famous Dr. Crofts, organiſt to the Abbey, and the King's chapel, and which was fix'd to the north wall of the ſaid Abbey, fell down, and the ſame, together with the fine buſto of the Doctor (erected at the ſole charge of Humph. Wyrly, of the Inner Temple, Eſq;) broke in pieces. *DA.* —— *The invention or credulity of the* Collectors of news *is very great. There is not the leaſt truth in any part of this account; but it is like the ſtory of the perſon's* lying all night with his bowels out, whom the crows hovered round to devour, *inſerted in the* DA. Aug. 22.

Yeſterday 4 perſons were committed by Juſt. Manley to Tothill-fields Bridewell, for ſelling of ſpirituous liquors, &c. *G.*

Married, laſt week, Will. Hadſly, of Ware, Eſq; to Miſs Jenny Sigſdon, a fortune of 27,000 l. *LP.*

Died, laſt tueſday ſe'nnight at Carmichael in Scotland, the right hon. James Earl of Hyndford; and is ſucceeded in honour and eſtate by his eldeſt ſon, John Lord Carmichael. *LP.* —— On monday at Britwell, in the county of Bucks, Jam. Leake, Eſq; formerly a director of the South-Sea Company. *DP.* —— At Croydon, Cha. Wright, Eſq; an eminent Portugal merchant. *DA.*

Yeſterday one Runnington a beef-butcher, having words, flung a knife at one Reynolds, a pork-butcher, in Honey-lane market, which ſtuck in his groin, and he ſoon expired. *DA.*

On tueſday night, a poor woman got out of Clerkenwell Workhouſe, and fell down dead at a tavern door on Clerkenwell green. *DA.*

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 26. His Majeſty has been pleas'd to appoint Edw. Howe and Charles Thornly, Eſqrs; to be of his Majeſty's moſt hon. privy council in Ireland *DP.*

Yeſterday at noon a man well dreſs'd and mounted, rode as faſt as poſſible from Fulham along the King's road, who called out to the keepers of the ſeveral turn-pikes to open the gates, telling them, he was a meſſenger going to St. James's with an account of her Majeſty's death. *DP.* —— His royal highneſs immediately diſpatch'd a meſſenger to Hampton-court, who returned with the agreeable news, that her Majeſty was in good health. *LP. DP.* —— Her Majeſty has the gout in her feet. *G*

We hear, that yeſterday the Court of Directors of the Bank came to a reſolution to lend the 3d payment of 6 l. per ticket on the preſent lottery. *DA.*

On wedneſday Sir John Barnard, Knt. had the freedom of the city of Edinburgh, in a curious ſilver box, preſented to him by Meſſrs. Blackwood and Cathcart, at their houſe at Charlton in Kent, who afterwards elegantly entertained Sir John. *DA.*

The ſame day Dr. Brown, an eminent phyſician at Waltham-abbey, was unanimouſly choſen Mayor of that corporation. *DA.*

On wedneſday his Majeſty was pleas'd to grant his moſt gracious reprieve to Geo. Green, condemn'd at Kingſton, for robbing Capt. Tho. Foſter, &c. He was to have been executed this day. *DP.* —— Yeſterday. *DA.* —— The other 3 condemn'd are likewiſe reprieved. *G.*

On monday at the election of a town-clerk of the corporation of Fordwich, Mr. Benj. Didier, Attorney in Canterbury, was elected. *DP.*

On wedneſday a large quantity of lead and iron, with 20 cheſts of ſilver, containing 1000 l. each, were appraiſed at the Cuſtom-houſe: they were ſeiz'd in Eaſt-India on board a Swediſh veſſel, taken trading within the limits of our Eaſt India Company. *DP.*

Laſt week at Botley-mills near Oxford there was a great wreſtling-match, between the Baker of Anow, the champion for Oxfordſhire, (never known to have been thrown, and therefore 5 to 1 was laid on his ſide) and the Berkſhire Hero, call'd the Milk-boy of Hanney. The Prize was only a hat, which was carried off by the latter. Many 100 pounds were won and loſt; and tho' in the middle of harveſt, there were 10,000 people preſent. *DA.*

Married yeſterday, at the Bull and Mouth, Mr Vandewall, a very conſiderable cornfactor in Crutched-fryars [Mr Vanderval, a rich Dutch merchant. *DA.*] to Miſs Ingram, of Cheapſide. *LP.* —— A young lady exceeding beautiful, and 10,000 l fortune. *LP.*

Died, on ſunday at Tunbridge, in his 94th year, ... Ferguſon, Eſq; ſeveral years receiver-general of the cuſtoms in Scotland. —— On tueſday, near Midhurſt in Suſſex, Sir Harry Peachy, Knt. *DP.* ——On wedneſday, in St. Thomas's, Southwark, Mr. Galton, an eminent wine merchant, computed worth upwards of 20,000 l. *DP.* —— Yeſterday, of the ſmall-pox, in New Bond-ſtreet, Geo. Newport, Eſq; of Somerſetſhire. *G.*

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 27. The Lords Commiſſioners of the Treaſury have been pleas'd to appoint Jam. Palmer, Eſq; to be a Land ſurveyor in the port of London. *DP.*

A few days ſince the rev. John Clay was inſtituted to the rectory of Wilburton in the iſle of Ely, being lately nominated thereto by the rev. Dr. Bentley, Arch-deacon of Ely. *G.*

Yeſterday a carman and a drayman diſputing the way in Cheapſide, the carman ſtruck the drayman's horſe with the butt end of his whip near the ear, which kill'd him on the ſpot; the horſe was worth about 20 l. and the fellow, nothing. *LP.*

On the rumour of the Queen's death, the engroſſers, dealing in commodities uſed in mourning ran about Town purchaſing all ſorts, good, bad, or indifferent, that have lain undiſturb'd in ſhops for ſeveral years. *DP.* ——A certain woollen-draper near Weſt-Smithfield contracted for near 1000 l. worth of black cloth: ſome conſiderable mercers diſpatch'd expreſſes for Norwich to buy up blacks; ſeveral went into Spittle-fields to bespeak black ſilks, &c. blacks and greys immediately roſe 20 per cent. A ſhoemaker near St. Bartholomew's Hoſpital, bought 3 dozen of ſhammy leather ſhoes; and had bought more, but was refuſ'd by the fraternity who had heard the news. *LP.*

Married, on monday, Capt. Dives, of the 2d regiment of Guards, to Miſs Montgomery, a Yorkſhire lady of great beauty, and a fortune of 7000 l. There is but one brother between her and an eſtate of 2000 l. per ann. *DA.* —— Dan. Moor, of Woodſtock in Oxfordſhire, Eſq; to Mrs. Curzon, relict of Abra. Curzon, Eſq; with 25,000 l. *G.*

Died, a few days ſince, in his 88th year, the rev. Mr. Sam. Bold, chaplain to the preſent Lord Biſhop of Winchester, and rector of Steeple in Dorſetſhire, for 56 years. *LP* —— A few days ſince, at St. German's in Cornwall, David Morly, Eſq; an old officer in the army, ſeveral years ſurveyor-general of the fortifications in Ireland. *DP.* —— On ſunday, at Cheſter, the rev. Mr. Arthur Williams, Arch-deacon of St. David's, and rector of St. Mary's in that city. *G.*

On thurſday night a well dreſs'd man was found drown'd in the New River near Chelſea; by a letter in his pocket he appear'd to be a houſe-keeper at Lambeth, and being diſorder'd in his ſenſes, had drown'd himſelf. *DA* —— In the canal adjoining to the the Willow-walk, Weſtminſter. *G.*

MONDAY, *Aug.* 29. Laſt friday the Vice-Chancellor, and ſeveral Heads of Houſes, deputed by the Univerſity of Oxford, waited on his Majeſty at Hampton-court with an Addreſs of Congratulation. On ſaturday they waited on his royal highneſs the Prince at St. James's, and were elegantly entertain'd at dinner, by the right hon. the Lord North and Guilford, one of the Lords of the bed-chamber in waiting. *DP.* —— The Earl of Arran, Chancellor of the Univerſity, and ſeveral of the Heads. *LP.* —— The Univerſity of Oxford waited, &c. *G.*— The Vice-Chancellor and 13 Heads. *DA.*

Yeſterday the rev. Mr. Wilkinſon preach'd before their Royal Highneſſes. *DA.*

On friday Col. St. Clair kiſs'd his Majeſty's hand, for the command of two royal battallions in Ireland. —— Major General Moyle, for the regiment of Foot, late Col St. Clair's. *G.* —— Capt. Southby, for a company in the 2d regiment of Guards. *DA. G.*

Cavendiſh ſquare is going to be beautified, in the middle there is to be an oval baſon of water, in the middle of which is to be erected on a pedeſtal the ſtatue of Queen Anne, and round the baſon are to be graſs and gravel walks, on the borders of which ſeveral ſhrubs are to be planted, at the charge of the right hon. the Earl of Oxford. *DP.*

On the 15th about 4 in the afternoon, Mr. John Warner, of New-market, tallow-chandler, was robb'd, by 2 highwaymen on Epping-foreſt, between the White Lion on Golden's-hill and the town of Epping, of 217 l. odd money. *DP.* —— For which we hear he intends to ſue the county. *G.*

His grace the Duke of Grafton, Lord Chamberlain, has appointed Mr. Geo. Pate, to be one of his Majeſty's muſicians in ordinary. *DA.*

Married, a few days ſince, Mr. Will. Maekreth, an eminent ſurgeon in St. Mary Axe, to Miſs Jenny Farmer, of Goodman's-fields, a beautiful young lady with 4000 l. *DP.*

Died, yeſterday, in the Green Meuſe, John Hutchinſon, Eſq; riding purveyor to his Majeſty, a place worth 200 l. per ann. *DP. LP. G.* —— In the gift of the Duke of Richmond. *DP.* —— Duke of Grafton. *LP.* —— The ſame day Mr. Will. Farnborough, one of the Pages of the preſence to his Majeſty. *DP.*

On ſaturday a boy, about 8 years old, ſon to Mr. Davis at Mount-mill, being at play with other boys, fell into a gravel-pit full of water, at the New Wells by the London Spaw, and was drown'd. *DA.*

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 30. Yeſterday in the evening, about eight o'clock, the young Princeſs was chriſten'd Auguſta by the Archbiſhop of Canterbury. The King and Queen were godfather and godmother, and repreſented by the Duke of Grafton and the Counteſs of Burlington, the Dutcheſs dowager of Saxe Gotha was likewiſe godmother, and repreſented by the lady Torrington. The young Princeſs was in a magnificent cradle, elevated two ſteps under a canopy of ſtate. The Princeſs afterwards was laid in the nurſe's lap upon a rich cuſhion embroidered with ſilver, in the moſt elegant taſte, with ſilver taſſels and fringes, with the moſt exquiſite fine lac'd linnen. The Princeſs of Wales had on an exceeding rich ſtomacher, preſented by his Royal Highneſs, adorn'd with jewels, and ſet upun her bed of ſtate, with the pillars richly adorned with fine lace, embroidered with ſilver. The Prince of Wales was preſent, and richly preſs'd, with his ſtar ſet round with precious jewels, and attended by all the lords of his bed-chamber, except the Earl of Jerſey, who was indiſpoſed with the gout. The font and flaggons for the chriſtening were brought from the Tower, and were thoſe uſed for the Royal Family for ſome hundred years paſt. —— The cradle, valued at 500 l. was made by Mr. Williams, his Majeſty's cabinet-maker: the inſide is white ſattin, lac'd with ſilver lace, as are the curtains. The covering is crimſon velvet, with gold lace, fringes and taſſels. The feet that ſupport it are four lyons, finely carv'd and gilt. *DA. G.*——The Dutcheſs of Richmond was proxy for the Queen, and the Counteſs of Burlington, for the Dutcheſs dowager of Saxe Gotha. *LP.*

The ſame day Mr. Adams, Vice chancellor of the Univerſity of Cambridge, and ſeveral Heads of Colleges, waited on his Majeſty, with an Addreſs of congratulation, &c. *DP. G.* —— The Chancellor, &c. *DA* —— This day a deputation will wait, &c. *LP.*

On ſunday next the Court goes into mourning for a fortnight, for the Margavine, mother to the Queen of Denmark. *DA.*

It was inſerted in a Journal of ſaturday laſt, that Jam. Oglethorpe, Eſq; would in a few days ſet out for Carolina; but the ſame is abſolutely groundleſs. *LP.* —— In Fog's Journal. *DP. G.*

Yeſterday Mr. Edgell, with aſſiſtants, ſeiz'd 3 cwt. of tea in a coach and 6, at an inn near Holborn-bridge. Coach and horſes are all good prize. *DP.*

On thurſday Tho. Sturbuck, waterman, was convicted before the Mayor of Graveſend and Milton, for refuſing to put off from Graveſend with a boat waiting for paſſengers, after the bell had been publickly rung, contrary to the Act of Parliament, and was fin'd five pounds; but not having ſufficient to make a diſtreſs, was on ſaturday laſt committed to the Houſe of Correction to be ſet to hard labour, there to remain without bail or mainprize for the ſpace of 21 days. *DA.*

On ſunday a man was found drown'd in a well oppo-

site to the Gore at Kenſington. *DP.* —— Between Knightsbridge and Kenſington; with the lower part of his body out of the water. *DA*

On ſaturday in the afternoon Mr. Pike, lighterman, of Gravel lane, going from one lighter to another at Shadwell, fell into the Thames and was drown'd. *DA.*

About the 17th inſt Mrs. Turner, a widow gentlewoman, who liv'd at Limmington in Hampſhire, was poiſon'd by her ſervant, a girl about 16 years of age, in the manner following: the girl having, unknown to her miſtreſs, contracted amongſt the neighbours ſmall debts to the amount of 12 s. and her miſtreſs being inform'd of it, chided her for ſo doing; but the girl reſenting the treatment, reſolv'd to be reveng'd on her miſtreſs; and to perpetrate the wicked action, thought of ſome ratsbane which her miſtreſs had given her to put up ſafe, in order to deſtroy vermin, took ſome of it, and put it into ſome water gruel that ſhe was making for her miſtreſs, which ſhe eat of and died in leſs than two days after. The other ſervants miſſed a skillet that was often uſed, upon ſearching, found it conceal'd, and in it was a remnant of the poiſon; upon which the girl was taken up, and had before a magiſtrate, when ſhe confeſs'd the whole fact, and was committed to Wincheſter-goal. The deceas'd Mrs. Turner was ſiſter to Mr. Durling, who keeps the Red Lyon tavern on Clerkenwell-green, and was to have been marry'd on thurſday laſt to a gentleman in that neighbourhood, worth 30 000 l. *DA. G.*

WEDNESDAY, *Aug* 31. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Rob. Sutton, Eſq; Gentleman-uſher to her Majeſty, to be Deputy-ranger of his Majeſty's foreſt of Sherwood, in the room of the late General Sutton, his father, deceas'd. *DP.*

His grace the Duke of Grafton has been pleaſed to appoint William Bincks, of the county of York, Eſq; to be one of the Gentlemen penſioners to his Majeſty; and Mr. Farnborough to be one of the pages of the preſence to his Majeſty, in the room of Mr. William Farnbourough, his father, deceas'd. *DP.* —— We hear he will be appointed. *DA.*

The right hon. the Earl of Cholmondeley has preſented the rev. Dr. Lancaſter, Chaplain to his royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, to the rectory of Stamford Revers in the county of Eſſex and dioceſe of London, void by the death of the rev. Dr. Day. *DP. G.* —— We hear that the rev. Dr. Chandler is appointed Chaplain to the royal hoſpital at Chelſea. *G.*

Yeſterday the Vice Chancellor, and ſeveral members of the univerſity of Cambridge, addreſſed the Prince of Wales at St. James's on the birth of the young Princeſs. They were afterwards entertain'd at dinner there by the Lord Guilford, lord of the bed-chamber to his Royal Highneſs. *DA.*

Yeſterday the right hon. Sir Robert Walpole, who came to town on monday, had a levee at his houſe in Downing-ſtreet, being the firſt time ſince his lady's death that he has ſeen company publickly. *DA.*

Yeſterday the Dutcheſs of Richmond came to Hampton-court from Goodwood in Suſſex, in order to lye in there. *DA.*

Next thurſday ſe'nnight their royal highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs of Wales, and the princeſs Auguſta, will go to Kew. *G.* —— They will all continue at St. James's. *LP.*

By Letters from Suſſex, we hear, that there has been a ſmart engagement on their coaſt between the King's officers and the ſmugglers: that a veſſel having been obſerved hovering off Rye, the cuſtom-houſe ſl oop put out to ſea, ſoon came up with her, and the captain, according to his wonted reſolution, immediately boarded her; but met with ſuch warm reception that his people were glad to get back again, and happy was he that got off firſt. Two of his men being a little two clumſey in their retreat, according to the ſmugglers opinion, were thrown over-board for diſpatch. *DP.*

Laſt week two ſoldiers, who were quartered at Hampton-court, went to a farmer's yard near Hampton and were ſtealing two of his geeſe, which the farmer ſeeing, went out to them and talk'd to them about it; upon which they knock'd the man down for preſuming to prevent them, and were carrying the geeſe off when the ſon of the farmer, ſeeing the ſoldiers knock his Father down, ran in and fetch'd a gun and fir'd at them, and it's thought wounded one pretty much, there being ſeveral drops of blood; but the ſoldiers left their booty and got off, the people not caring to follow them for fear more of the gang might be at hand. *DP.*

Married, on ſaturday, Mr. John Champion, a conſiderable wine-merchant in Friday ſtreet, to Mrs. Macket, relict of the captain, an agreeable lady, with 10,000 l. fortune. *LP.*

Died, on friday, near Kenſington Gravil-pits, Mrs. Eliz. Collins, relict of Anthony Collins, Eſq; *LP.* —— On tueſday at the Bath, Jacob Wright of Rippon, Eſq; immenſely rich, and married a few days ſince to Mrs. Ferguſon, a widow lady of great fortune. *G.* —— Yeſterday, at Hackney, John Smith, Eſq; an eminent Italian merchant. *DA.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Gentlemen,

WHEN you labour under a dearth of Wit, and are at a loſs how to fill up ſome part of your Paper, ſupply it with the following *Epigram*; by which means you will ſave your own brains, and gratify a young Author's vanity.

Yours,

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An EPIGRAM.

Alaſs! How does my worthy Friend? quoth DICK.
You ſeem indeed to be extremely ſick.
Better than well, ſays HYP, I ſought to be,
I took W——D's *Pill*, thence owe my miſery.
Courage, ſays DICK, a trifle you endur'd;
Your ſole diſeaſe was Folly; That is cur'd.
When all his Patients no relief can find,
W——D waggiſhly crys, Bite! I cure the mind.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Aug.* 25. They write from Conſtantinople, that notwithſtanding the Mufti's deciſion in favour of a peace, a certain Baſhaw (the Renegado Bonneval we ſuppoſe) was in full march with 40,000 Janiſſaries to relieve Widdin. There have been five times more Janiſſaries in the foreign prints within theſe two months, than are to be found in all the Ottoman empire. *DP.*

Paris, Aug. 31. The famous M Petit, ſurgeon-general of the army, when on the Rhine, died the 20th of this month, in his 32d year. *DP.* —— Major ſurgeon of the French armies. *LP.*

FRIDAY, *Aug.* 26. —— *Vienna, Aug.* 14. The Turks in Bagnalucka, being ſure of being ſuccour'd, for 2 days ſhot only pieces of iron, ſtones, and the broken bombs which we had thrown into the Town, ſo that we thought they were in want of ammunition, and made our approaches very faſt, when they hung out a white flag, and endeavoured to come, as we thought, to an honourable compoſition, but we inſiſted on their being priſoners of war. During this interval, the Turkiſh ſuccours march'd through a wood, and attacked us with the utmoſt fury: Caroli's regiment of Huſſars was broke in an inſtant, and intirely cut to pieces; in the mean time, the beſieged made a ſally, and cut down all before them; and what compleated our misfortune, our main body conſiſting of 14,000 regular troops, in their retreat, found the bridge of communication over the Verbas broke down, ſo that above 800 [8000] were drowned, and the reſt who could not get over the river, fell into the hands of the Turks. —— *Aug.* 17. Lieutenant Colonel Zchock, who brought the news of this defeat, makes the loſs very inconſiderable; but we are informed by other hands, that out of 14,000 ſcarce 700 were ſaved. *G.*

SATURDAY, *Aug.* 27. —— *Paris, Aug.* 31. The following Epitaph has been handed about here:

Qui noluit pacem requieſcat in pace.

Cy git le Cardinal de Biſſy
En attendant celui d' Iſſy.

Here lies Cardinal de Biſſy,
Impatient for him of Iſſy.

The Cardinal de Fleury's country-ſeat is call'd Iſſy; and his Eminency is obſerv'd to look a little blue upon the matter, ſince the Cardinal de Biſſy was by ſome years younger, and he is in his 88th year. When Philip II. of Spain was dying, he told his Confeſſor, 'That he did 'not fear the ſins of Philip near ſo much as the ſins of 'the King.' This may ſerve as a hint to the Cardinal and all Prime Miniſters, who have certainly a great load upon them, and a greater account to make up than even Kings themſelves: for they have both the ſins of the King and the Miniſter to anſwer for. *DP.*

MONDAY, *Aug.* 29. They write from Paris, that a Latin Tranſlation is juſt publiſh'd of the Proſe and Poetical Works of the famous M. Boileau Deſpreaux, by Meſſieurs Godot, Rollin, and Bizot, who have added learned notes. *G.*

The Court of Ruſſia has publiſhed a full narrative of the conqueſt of Oczakow, by which it appears, that the Turkiſh Seraskier and 4000 men were made priſoners: That the ſaid Seraskier declares, that of 23,000 men which were under his command, before and during the ſiege, 16,000 were killed, and five Baſha's; that the ſtench of the dead bodies were ſo intolerable, that Count Munich had been oblig'd to remove with his army to the diſtance of 20 miles, for fear of an infection. That the Ruſſians had had 975 men killed, and 2756 wounded during the ſiege, and that they found in the place 82 cannon, 7 mortars, and 11 horſe-tails. *LP. G.* —— It ſeems the taking of Oczakow was in a great meaſure owing to the vigilance and preſence of mind of that gallant Scotchman General Keith, brother to Earl Marſhal. He does honour to his country, but we have no military Gentlemen abroad ſtriving to do honour to England. *DP.*

They write from Nimirow, that the Plenipotentiary Miniſters of the contending Crowns, being all arrived there, it affords one of the moſt beautiful proſpects in the world. The ambaſſadors with their retinues, are lodg'd out of the town, under magnificent tents; the Imperial Plenipotentiaries are encamp'd upon the banks of a ſmall rivulet on the ſide of Poland; on their left are placed the Ruſſian Miniſters; and on the other ſide of the rivulet, towards Turkey, are encamp'd the Turkiſh Plenipotentiaries. The latter have 170 tents, of which 11 are erected in the manner of pavillions, of an extraordinary beauty and ſize, and lined with rich brocaded ſilks, the Turks affecting to appear with the utmoſt pomp and magnificence. *LP. DA.*

TUESDAY, *Aug.* 30. They write from the Hague, that the Marquiſs de St. Gilles, Ambaſſador of Spain, having been invited to a conference with the deputies of the States General, he repair'd to the Court, where Meſſ. Linden and Milan Viſconti declar'd to him, that the Treaty of peace between the Emperor and France having been communicated to them in the way of plan, in order to be approv'd by the States, and afterwards accede to; the States General, before determining upon any thing in relation thereto, wiſh'd to be inform'd, whether the King of Spain, as a principal party, was conſenting to what was contain'd in the ſaid Treaty, and whether his Catholick Majeſty had yet engag'd to accede thereto. The Marquis de St. Gilles anſwer'd, That not having receiv'd inſtructions upon this ſubject, he could not with any aſſurance ſay, whether the King his maſter was perfectly ſatisfy'd with the meaſures taken by the Emperor and the King of France, either in regard to the intereſt of his Catholick Majeſty, or to that of the King of the two Sicilies; but that he believ'd he might aſſure them in his own name, that neither the King his maſter had acceded to the Treaty of peace, nor the King of the two Sicilies, notwithſtanding what had been publiſhed to the contrary; and that he was inform'd, that this likewiſe was the caſe of the King of Sardinia; ſo that a Treaty, to which parties ſo highly intereſted have not yet given their conſent, is hitherto imperfect, and of no effect. In this conference, the deputies took no notice of the Dutch ſhip which they had heard the Spaniards had taken on the coaſt of St. Domingo. The following particulars, in relation to that capture, has been tranſmitted from people of undoubted credit: that this ſhip was bound for St. Euſtachia, and that by contrary winds ſhe had been unhappily caſt on the coaſt of St. Domingo, where the Spaniards immediately ſeiz'd on her and her cargo, and ſtript the crew and paſſengers, tho' no counterband goods of any ſort whatever were found on board. *DA.*

WEDNESDAY, *Aug.* 30. A Letter from Paris mentions, that it has been very ſickly there, and abundance of people have died; that the climate is perfectly altered; that they have had very cold, wintry, rainy weather: our correſpondent deſires *his ſervice to the ſun*, if it's to be found in England; to which he has been anſwer'd, that it was never ſeen leſs here, for theſe 2 or 3 months paſt; and the weather much the ſame as at Paris. *LP.* —— *We give this as an inſtance of the art of writing news, when there is none.*

We have advice from Petersburg, that the Court has receiv'd an expreſs from Count Munich, which brings, that this General had march'd with the army under his command ſeventy werſtes from Oczakow, after having left in that place a garriſon of 5000 men, and that he was continuing his march with deſign to paſs the Nieſter near Perepalanka, in order to make ſure of that place, and then to proceed on towards Bender. —— From Nimirow, that the conferences were actually begun in a pavillion built for that purpoſe, near the banks of the rivulet of Nimirow. —— From Vienna, that Count Kevenhuller, who commands the troops which block up Widdin, had ſummon'd the Baſhaw who commands in that fortreſs to ſurrender to the Imperial arms. To which the Baſhaw, who is ſaid to be a gallant man, replied, *That he ſhould defend the place entruſted to his command better than the Governor of Niſſa had done*;

and that, agreeable to the will of the Grand Seignior, he would defend Widdin so long as there was one man left of the garrison. General Wallis, who commands in Walachia, was inform'd by a Turkish officer taken prisoner, that the Grand Vizir had sent orders to the Bashaw of Widdin not to surrender the place, but to defend it to the utmost, he being in hopes of coming to his relief with a considerable body of the army. *DA. LP.*

Letters from Hungary mention a very bold enterprize done by an Engineer, who has a command in the troops under the Duke of Lorrain. This Engineer, who speaks the Turkish language perfectly well, disguis'd himself in the habit of that nation, and found means to get into the town, whose situation and condition he examin'd very carefully, and took a plan of the place, which he deliver'd to the Duke of Lorrain. At the same time he reported the number of troops of which the garrison consisted, as also an account of their stores and artillery. The Duke presented him with 400 ducats for this important and hazardous service. *DA.*

The two reports which were spread, that Count Bonneval was gone to Constantinople, and afterwards the death of that General, prove groundless. They were given out by the Turks, in hopes of causing some change in the regulation of the Emperor's Generals, and to make them believe that Loss would greatly embarrass the designs of the Porte It is certain that Count Bonneval is at Seraglio in Bosnia, and highly in esteem with the Grand Signior. *DA.*

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